

The 27 suggested questions for the final examination are up here on two sheets and at the end of the class, if each of you could take one of each of the two sheets it would save me having to combine them. The final exam questions will probably be all taken from that list on the two pages. It would be helpful to you in reviewing to have them.

I have taken more time in reviewing certain sections than I had expected to. I think it is wise to get well in mind the material we are covering. It means there are four verses which are quite unrelated in most ways to the rest of the prophecy which I had thought I would be able to spend two or three hours on and as it is we won't spend a great deal of time on them.

On those there are three or four questions in this list of 27, but those questions will probably be covered next week rather than today. If you have a chance to look them over between now and next class it may be that it will suggest certain things to your mind that are not clear that you would think it wise to have me say a word about in the next class. In such a case I wish you would write out any such questions and get them to me if possible ahead of class, but at least as soon as class starts.

We have looked at the history of Antiochus Epiphanes and we have seen how precisely there are statements about him in ch. 11. The idea that ch. 11 all the sudden at v. 21 has an unmentioned interval jumping forward to antichrist would be rather ridiculous because the preceding vv. tell about his ancestors and his brethren in so much detail and there's not much point to it except to this leading up to this terrible crisis that was faced by Judaism. This terrible crisis is described by the long account of the reign of Antiochus Epiphanes which was Sec. D.

In Sec. E, we already spoke about 11:36-12:3 under which we noted 1. The King's Character and Career. I mentioned a number of points in which it was quite obvious that most of the material from 11:36 to 12:3 could not possibly be considered as a continued account of Antiochus. Those who hold the Maccabean view either say these are the guesses of the writer as to what might happen in the future or else they say that these are things that actually happened but we have no historical record of them. So that the particular events described in them just don't fit with anything we know about Antiochus Epiphanes.

The account of the character of this man is utterly different from ~~the~~ Antiochus who built great temples to the gods of his fathers. This is one who disregards the gods of his fathers, and turns away from them.

We noticed this is one who will honor the god of fortresses, a good expression for a purely materialistic viewpoint which would have been rather uncomprehensible to people in ancient times, but which today fits exactly with the attitude of the leaders of a very large part of the world.